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## ORIENTAL FACTS OF FAR EASTERN WAR

Striking Developments Sure to Occur Right Away.

### NEWS FROM THE ZONE OF WAR

**Indications Point to a Sea Battle Between Russian and Japanese Sea-dogs—Russian Vice Admiral and His Crews of Fleet Are Sick.**

St. Petersburg, May 26.—Admiral Avellan, head of the Russian admiralty department, confirms the Associated Press dispatches saying Vice Admiral Rojestvensky is steaming north to give battle to Admiral Togo.

He considers it possible that news to the effect that the two fleets have met may be received any day.

In an interesting interview Admiral Avellan confirms the unofficial reports that Admiral Rojestvensky has broken down and asked to be relieved. He says Rojestvensky sent detailed reports of the condition of his own health and of the health of the crews of his fleet.

The constant tension and hard work of the long voyage have been a great strain on the admiral's strength.

"Even before he left," said Avellan, "Rojestvensky was a sufferer from kidney trouble, but his health is now no worse. His report breathes a spirit of strength, resolution and confidence, and other reports show he has inspired his crews with the confidence of their commander. As a matter of fact, it is not Rojestvensky, but Vice Admiral Voelkorsam who has suffered from the long stay in the tropics."

### HATPIN CAUSES HER ARREST.

**Margaret Lockhart, Dressed in Boy's Attire in Tolls of the Law.**

Pittsburg, May 26.—Margaret Lockhart, the young girl from Grove City, Pa., who was arrested in the Union station while dressed in boy's clothing and endeavoring to purchase a ticket for Wheeling, W. Va., has been called for by her father, J. C. Lockhart, a coal miner of Grove City, and taken home. The young woman seemed to resent her treatment by the police officials of this city, and she lost no opportunity of so expressing herself.

Before the girl was discharged she was taken into the office of Superintendent of Police Wallace, where she was given some good advice. She seemed to pay little attention to what was proceeding. When asked as to whether she would repeat the attempt to leave her home, she answered that she would not. The party left for Grove City, and it is probable that the police of Pittsburg will hear no more of the little girl who desired to become a boy for the purpose of making her own way in the world.

The girl left her home several weeks ago and since has been in this city and Allegheny employed as a domestic. She left her last place of employment last Saturday night, had her hair cut off, purchased boy's clothing and attended herself in them for the purpose, she said, of being better able to make her own living as a man. She then threw her own clothing into the Allegheny river and went to the Union station, where she endeavored to purchase a ticket for Wheeling. The ticket agent saw that there was a hatpin moved through the cap which the person wore, and becoming suspicious, he summoned the detectives, who discovered that the supposed boy was a girl.

### Big Contract for Peaches.

Adairville, Ga., May 26.—One of the largest sales of Elberta peaches ever made here was closed this afternoon. One man contracted for 12,000 crates of peaches, at a neat figure. The crop is small, but is in fine shape, and doubt will bring fancy prices. It is predicted by one of the largest growers of New York here some days after going through the orchards, the growers would get more for the small crop than for the larger crop last year.

### A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

**Woman Found Dead and Alleged Assassin Wounded.**

Toledo, O., May 26.—Dr. A. Greene, a traveling medicine man, shot and instantly killed Mrs. Alta Tippins at her home in Weston, O., and then fired one shot into his own head.

Greene will probably recover. He is now under arrest and has been taken to the county jail at Bowling Green. He was taken from Weston as soon as possible in order to prevent possible mob violence.

Greene resides in Delta, O., and has made frequent visits to Weston. It is learned that he was greatly infatuated with Mrs. Tippins, and it is believed that because she failed to return the affection he committed the crime. Greene is 63 years of age and his victim 45.

### Dead From Apoplexy.

New York, May 26.—Edward Whelan, last survivor of the jury which served in the famous Beecher-Tilton case, is dead at his home in Brooklyn, from apoplexy. At the time of the trial he was one of the leading architects and builders in Brooklyn, but retired some years ago.

### YOUNG WOMAN TRIES SUICIDE.

**Sandersville Has Sensation in Attempt of Girl to End Her Life.**

Sandersville, Ga., May 26.—A young woman, said to be from Atlanta, created a sensation in this place by attempting suicide in the Southern railway depot early Wednesday night.

Her name was given as either Miss Bessie Meeks or Mrs. Arthur Young. An older woman who was with her at the time and claimed to be her mother, said that the young woman had just received a telegram from Young in Atlanta, immediately after which she swallowed a large quantity of laudanum and morphine.

The incident created considerable excitement and help was summoned at once. The young woman was taken to the Sandersville hotel and physicians called in at once. It is thought that she will recover. What her reason was for attempting to end her life is not known. The contents of the telegram received just before she took the poison are known to herself alone, as she destroyed the message.

### Sunday Newspapers' Hard Luck.

Fitzgerald, Ga., May 26.—The Law and Order League of this place is getting very active these warm summer days. They are determined to see that the Sunday closing is to be observed strictly. Their edict has gone forth that cold drinks and ice cream shall not be sold on these hot and sultry Sabbath days to quench the thirst and tickle the palate of the Sunday promenaders.

This order has not brought forth so much talk as the one in which they have carried through one of their members in the city council, who introduced an ordinance prohibiting the sale and delivery of Sunday newspapers. This has caused a sensation among the readers of the daily papers. It is thought by many that it is a step to extremes and is uncalled for, but the Law and Order League has seen that the privilege of selling newspapers has been abused to some extent by the selling of soft drinks on the sly, so they have made their orders sweeping, and Sunday next will be a dry and lonesome Sabbath in Fitzgerald, Ga.

### Affairs of Young People's Society.

Winona Lake, Ind., May 26.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church today took up consideration of affairs of the Young People's society with especial reference to the problems of how to better stimulate their work and keep their funds more directly in Presbyterian channels. The committee report showed that only 125 presbyteries had made reports and the numerical strength was decreasing.

### Operation Proves Successful.

Dublin, Ga., May 26.—The friends of Mrs. J. E. Smith, of this city, who is spending sometime at an Atlanta sanitarium for her health, are glad to learn that she has been successfully operated upon and is rapidly improving.

## DEVELOPMENTS IN CHICAGO STRIKE

Up to the Hour of Going to Press.

### DIFFERENT VIEW OF PROSPECTS

**The "Windy City" is Bristling With Arms—The Outlook is Good for a Clash—Shea Roasts the Treatment as to His Contempt of Court.**

Chicago, May 26.—With the strike spreading each hour in the chamber district, and no signs of peace in sight, the teamsters' strike assumed a serious aspect today.

Unable to meet the demands of police protection, Mayor Dunne issued a call for 1,000 able-bodied citizens to report at Chief O'Neill's office at once and be sworn in as policemen to do strike duty.

Sheriff Barrett continued to swear in deputies. The number of deputies sworn in now numbers 4,000, one-fourth of whom are active deputies assigned to protect nonunion drivers and wagons. Armed sentries are guarding the various armories located in the city and the officers expected a call to arms at any moment.

Fifty thousand rounds of ammunition have been distributed among the troops.

President Shea of the Teamsters' union held a different view of the prospects for a complete tie-up of the wood and building industries. He said:

"All this talk of tying up the building industry is idiocy. The lumber association combine dealers have long been fighting with the teamsters who do business with the 'desk and telephone' dealers, the 'switch track men,' as they call them. These lumber jobbers can get all the union teamsters they want and can supply all the lumber that is required and at lower prices than the lumber association will sell. They also have an advantage in the fact that they can have lumber delivered on any switch track whereas the lumber yard is stationary."

Before leaving for Judge Kohlsaat's court, where he was instructed to appear to answer a charge of contempt, Mr. Shea conferred with several labor representatives and outlined plans for the carrying on of the strike to day and tomorrow. Later he remarked, laconically, "I have only one conference today. That one is with Judge Kohlsaat." Referring to defiance of the court, Mr. Shea said:

"I am in contempt of court. They will put me in jail. They may never let me out. If they keep me in jail until I lose by contempt I don't know how many years I will have to serve. The whole proceeding is worthy of contempt. It was the most outrageous thing in the name of justice I have ever seen anywhere. It did not resemble a court in any way."

### Young Woman's Peculiar Death.

Sidney, O., May 26.—Maggie Wood, formerly of Cincinnati, met instant death in a peculiar manner. She was standing beside the railroad track when a freight car left the track and crushed her to an unrecognizable mass. Fourteen new flat cars were destroyed and trains were delayed. The train crew was unhurt.

### Depositors To Be Paid In Full.

New York, May 26.—That the depositors of the closed Merchants' Trust company eventually will be paid in full was the opinion expressed by President Otto T. Bannard, of the New York Trust company, one of the receivers for the suspended company. He said, however, that the process might require considerable time.

### Mobile Lumber Company Fails.

Mobile, Ala., May 26.—Captain J. W. Black, president of the Sullivan Timber company, one of the largest exporting firms in lumber and timber in the south, applied in the chancery court this afternoon for the appointment of a receiver. The company is capitalized at \$100,000, and has been doing an enormous business.

### MAN SLAYS SEVEN.

**Opinion is General That He Was Insane.**

San Francisco, May 26.—Elwin Steppens, who lived at Ross Valley, Marin county, has murdered his wife, shot his five children, three of whom died instantly, attempted to murder a passing milkman, and then ended his own life.

Steppens, who was 35 years old, was formerly a book agent, but later was said to be connected with a rubber goods house of San Francisco. The family also conducted a chicken ranch at their home in Ross Valley. Early in the morning Steppens emerged from his house, revolver in hand, and fired upon a passing milkman.

The milkman whipped up his horses and Steppens pursued him for 200 yards, firing as he ran. Steppens then halted in the road way, placed the revolver to his breast, discharged the weapon, but the bullet did not end his life, and he sent a second fatal bullet into his brain.

When neighbors and officers entered the home of Steppens they came upon a shocking scene. The members of the family, each with a revolver wound in the head, were found in their beds. The wife and three of the children were dead, and it is believed that the surviving children cannot recover. The children ranged from one to eleven years of age.

There is no known reason for the tragedy, but the theory is advanced that Steppens became suddenly insane.

The two Steppens children died at a hospital yesterday.

### Southern Presbyterians.

Fort Worth, Tex., May 26.—The report of the twentieth century fund committee was made to the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church today. The report shows that \$300,000 has already been pledged and about half of that amount has been received. North Carolina has pledged a large sum to the fund. The committee on foreign missions asked that the assembly provide \$275,000 to increase the efficiency of work in all foreign countries. The assembly failed to sustain the complaint of N. E. Thurmond against the synod of Missouri. The debate on the question of federation with other Presbyterian bodies will be resumed after the discussion of committee reports.

### Reward Is Offered.

San Francisco, May 26.—The Examiner today gives an account of a reward of \$1,000 offered by Welland Stanford of Schenectady, N. Y., leading up to the arrest and conviction of the parties responsible for the death of the late Jane Stanford. Welland Stanford is said to be a nephew of the late Senator Leland Stanford and a beneficiary under his will to the extent of \$100,000. Mrs. Stanford in her will made no provision for the blood relatives of Senator Stanford. The attorney here for Mrs. Stanford's estate says he can assign no motive to the offer of this reward by Welland Stanford and that nobody in authority connected with the Stanford estate has authorized him to do so.

### Parker Got Busy.

Esopus, N. Y., May 26.—H. H. Mary Hall should not be compelled to go through life with a mutilated hand it will be because of the surgical skill of her grandfather, former Judge Alton B. Parker. Mr. Parker and Mary were swinging on the lawn at Rosemount when Mary's hand was caught in the swing and the third finger so crushed it hung by a shred. Mr. Parker skillfully replaced the finger and telephoned the Rev. C. Mercer Hall, the child's father, to have a physician meet him at Kingston. He then started Mary to the railway station, where he walked up and down soothing her till the train came. With the child resting in his arms the journey was made to Kingston, where Dr. Norwood redressed the hand.

### Met an Awful Death.

Nashville, Tenn., May 26.—Lee H. Seizant met a frightful death here today. He came in contact with a live wire while working on a pole, fell to the ground and was frightfully mangled.

## JILTED IN LOVE AND SHE ATTEMPTS

To Commit Suicide Via the Laudanum Route.

### DEPRESSED IN SPIRITS AT TIME

**While Others Were Sleeping She Swallowed Two Ounces of a Deadly Drug. Was Taken to Hospital Unconscious, But Was Resuscitated.**

Atlanta, May 26.—Despondent because she believed her lover had deserted her, Ada Rowe, a beautiful young woman of 19, attempted suicide at 6 o'clock Wednesday night by taking two ounces of laudanum in her room at her residence, 49 Reinhardt street.

Officers Lindsey and Dorsett were called for by the excited family, when she was found in what seemed a dying condition on her bed, and the policemen summoned a Grady hospital ambulance. About 10 o'clock Wednesday night she was resting well, and it was thought she would recover.

It seems that Miss Rowe had been engaged to marry John Hamilton, a young man of Stone Mountain, Ga., and she thought he had "jilted" her.

Once or twice before yesterday the young woman had threatened to commit suicide, as she was miserable, and could not help thinking of the man she loved.

When all the folks who live in the house were taking an afternoon nap she took a laudanum phial, which she had recently purchased and stored away, and poured about two ounces of the contents in a glass tumbler.

A note, evidently written by a trembling hand, on a small scrap of paper, with no name signed, but the writing was that of the despondent girl, was found on a table in the center of the room. The note was brief, and read as follows:

"The only one I love has gone back on me."

When the prostrate form of the girl was taken from her room and put into a Grady hospital ambulance it seemed that the attempt at suicide would be successful, for life appeared to be already nearly extinct, but the girl's youth and strong constitution foiled her attempt at the desperate act.

### Reported Wealthy Citizen Suicides.

Savanna, Ill., May 26.—Bothwell Pulford, reputed to be the wealthiest citizen of Savanna, committed suicide today a few minutes after being questioned regarding the whereabouts of a revolver with which he was suspected of having slain Attorney Daniel S. Berry, formerly member of the legislature. Pulford had denied any knowledge of the killing of Perry, but became agitated when questioned concerning the revolver. The story has been widely circulated that Berry was killed as a result of attention paid by him to a married woman.

### Prominent Men Leave for Portland.

Chicago, May 26.—A party of United States senators and congressmen will leave Chicago tonight for Portland, Ore., to participate in the opening ceremonies of the Lewis and Clarke exposition. The party of congressmen is in charge of Representative Henry Casson, and includes Speaker Cannon, Tawney of Minnesota, Sherman of New York, Bartlett of Georgia, Henry of Texas, Littauer of New York, Small of North Carolina, Southwick of New York, and Hemenway of Indiana. Colonel D. M. Hamdell, sergeant-at-arms of the senate, is in charge of the senatorial party, which includes Hannabrough of North Dakota, Daniel of Virginia, Clark of Wyoming, Overman of North Carolina and McReary of Kentucky.

### Supreme Assembly to Meet.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 26.—The supreme assembly of the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias met today. Committees on finance and rules and regulations began work. A committee representing the commercial interest of New Orleans will ask the assembly to invite the uniform rank to hold their next convention in that city.